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Request of Manchiyanam Producers'-cum-Consumers' Co-operative Society, Kurumbranad taluk, North Malabar, for exemption from the payment of interest for the money due to Government.

* 710 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received copies of the resolution passed on 5th September 1953 at a meeting of the share-holders of the Manchiyanam Producers'-*cum*-Consumers' Co-operative Society, Kurumbranad taluk, North Malabar, requesting the Government to exempt the Producers'-*cum*-Consumers' Co-operative Society from the payment of interest imposed by the Government on them for the money due to Government and also requesting the Government to grant public carrier permits to the two lorries owned by the society, etc. ; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The matter is under consideration."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" Sir, how long will it take for the Government to come to a final conclusion in this matter? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, as early as possible."

Andhra Director of Cinchona in Ootacamund.

* 711 *Q.*—SRI S. SWAYAMPRAKASAM (on behalf of Sri K. R. Sambandam) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state whether the Director of Cinchona in Ootacamund is an Andhra?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Yes, Sir."

Execution of the Kanhirapuzha Hydro-Electric Project, Malabar.

* 712 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state when the Kanhirapuzha Hydro-electric Project, Malabar, is expected to be taken up for execution?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" The Kanhirapuzha Hydro-electric Scheme has not yet been taken up for investigation as a number of hydro-electric schemes including some in the Malabar district with more economic hydro-electric potential are awaiting detailed investigation by the Government Electricity department. The investigation of the Kanhirapuzha Hydro-electric Scheme will be considered in its turn in due course."